



Mitosis

Cell cycle

The sequence of events by which a cell duplicates its genome, synthesises the components of the cell and finally divides into two daughter cells is termed cell cycle.



Interphase

The interphase is the time during which the cell is preparing for cell division by undergoing both **cell growth** and **DNA replication** in an orderly manner. (It is also known as the resting phase)

M Phase or Mitotic Phase

The M Phase starts with the nuclear division, leading to the separation of daughter chromosomes (**karyokinesis**) and ends with division of cytoplasm (**cytokinesis**)



Interphase

G1 Phase

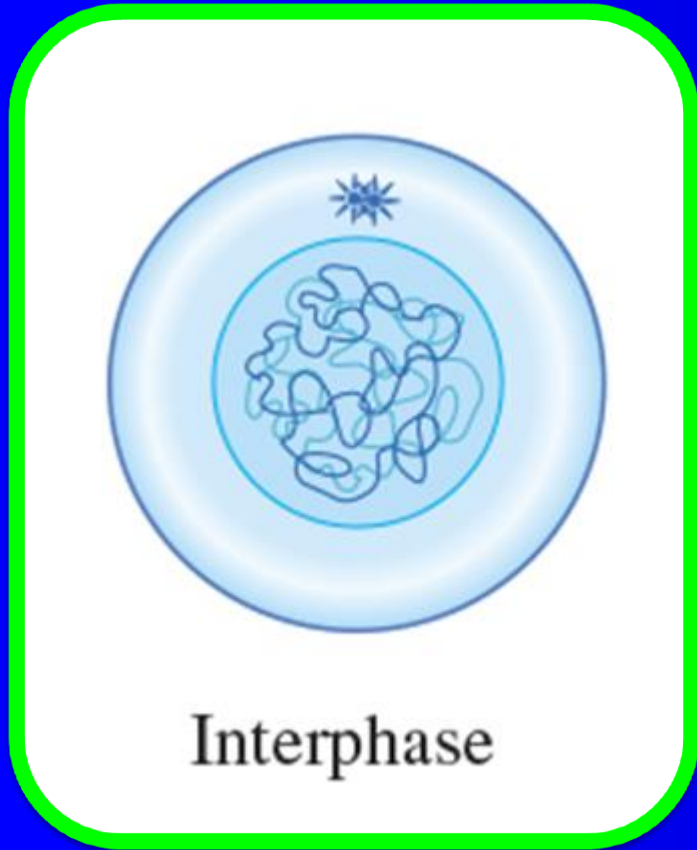
During G_1 phase the cell is metabolically active and **continuously grows** but **does not replicate its DNA**.

S or Synthesis phase

DNA synthesis or replication takes place.

G2 Phase

Proteins and **RNAs** are synthesised and the cell growth continues.

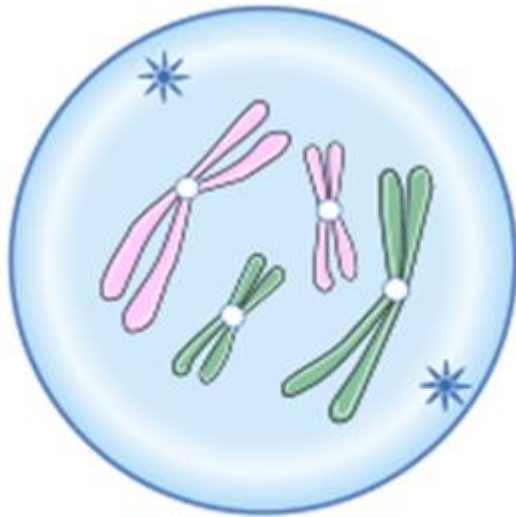


G₀ Phase

The cells that do not divide further exit G1 phase and enter an inactive stage called **quiescent stage** (G₀) of the cell cycle.



Prophase



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The **centrioles**, which had undergone duplication during S phase of interphase, now begins to **move** towards **opposite poles** of the cell.

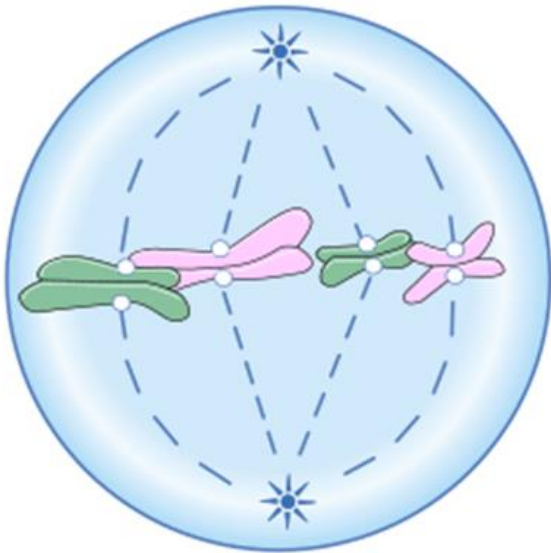
Condensation of chromosomes occur.

Chromosomes consist of **two chromatids** attached together at the centromere.

Golgi bodies, endoplasmic reticulum, nucleolus and the nuclear membrane disappear.



Metaphase



Metaphase

Condensation of chromosomes is completed and they can be observed clearly under the microscope.

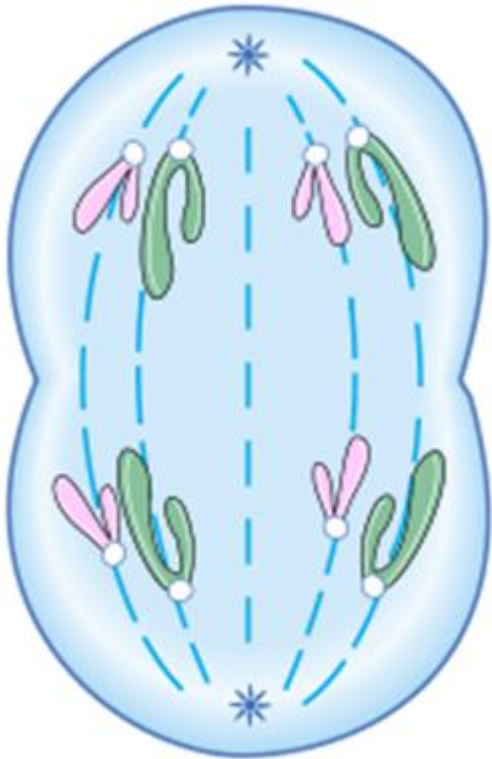
Small **disc-shaped structures** found at the surface of the centromeres are called **kinetochores**.

Chromosomes are **arranged at the equator** or centre.

Spindle fibres get attached at the kinetochores.



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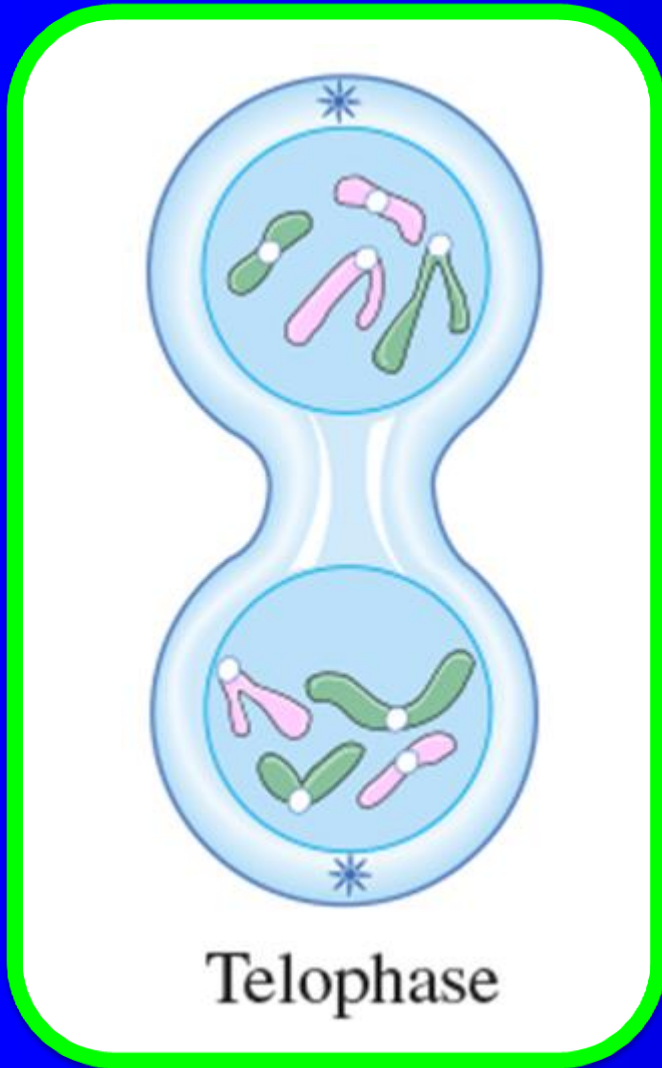
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The spindle fibres contract.

Centromeres split and chromatids move towards the opposite poles.



Telophase



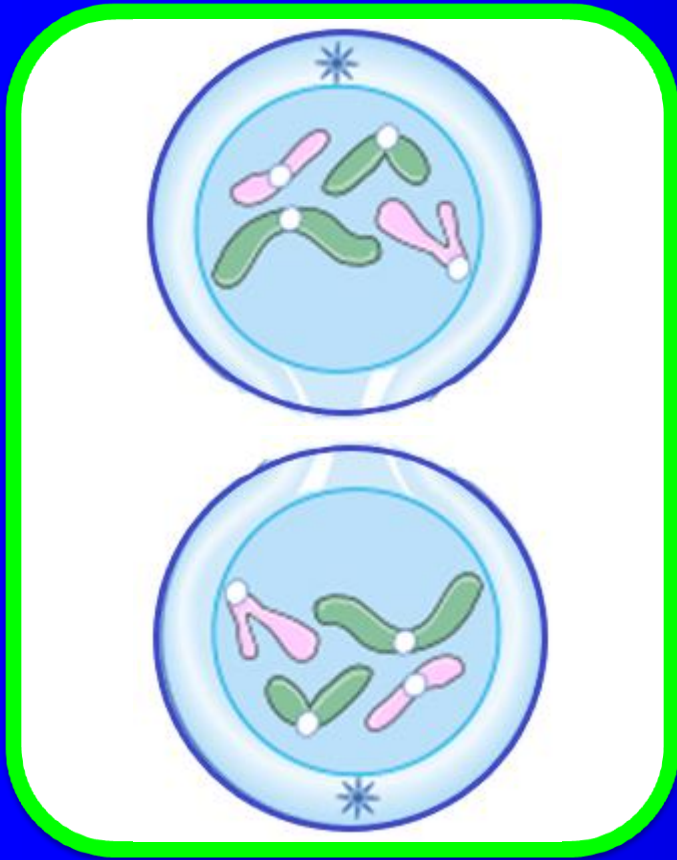
Chromosomes have reached the opposite poles. They decondense and lose their structure.

The chromatin material tends to collect in a mass in the two poles.

Nuclear membrane, Nucleolus, Golgi complex and ER reappear.



Cytokinesis



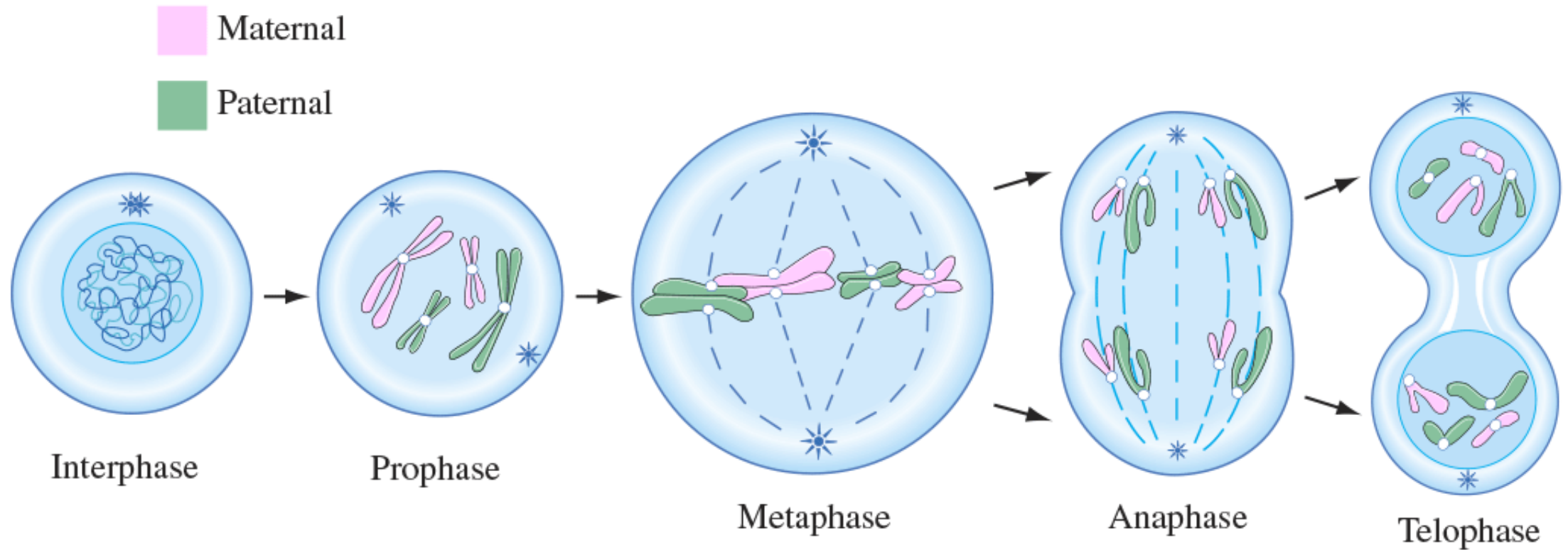
In animal cells, cytokinesis occurs by the appearance of a **furrow** in the plasma membrane.

The furrow gradually deepens and ultimately joins in the centre dividing the cell cytoplasm into two.

In plant cells, **wall formation** starts at the **centre** of the cell and grows outward to meet the existing lateral walls.



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Significance of Mitosis

Mitosis helps in maintaining the same number of chromosomes in daughter cells after division.

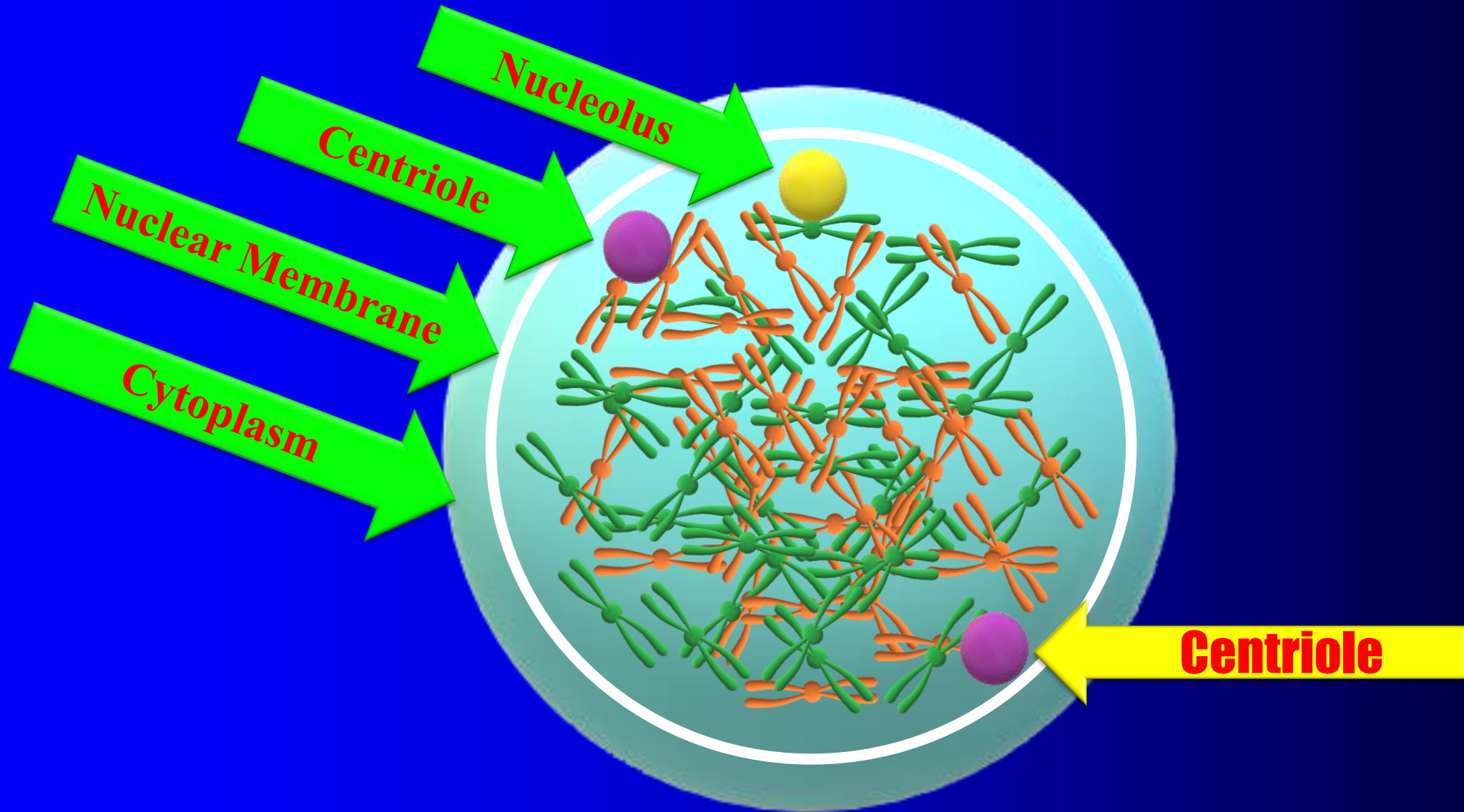
It is responsible for growth and development of multicellular organisms.

It helps in repairing of damaged tissues.

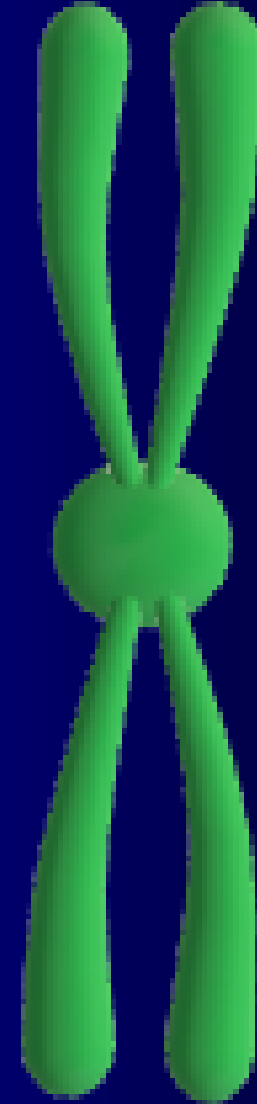
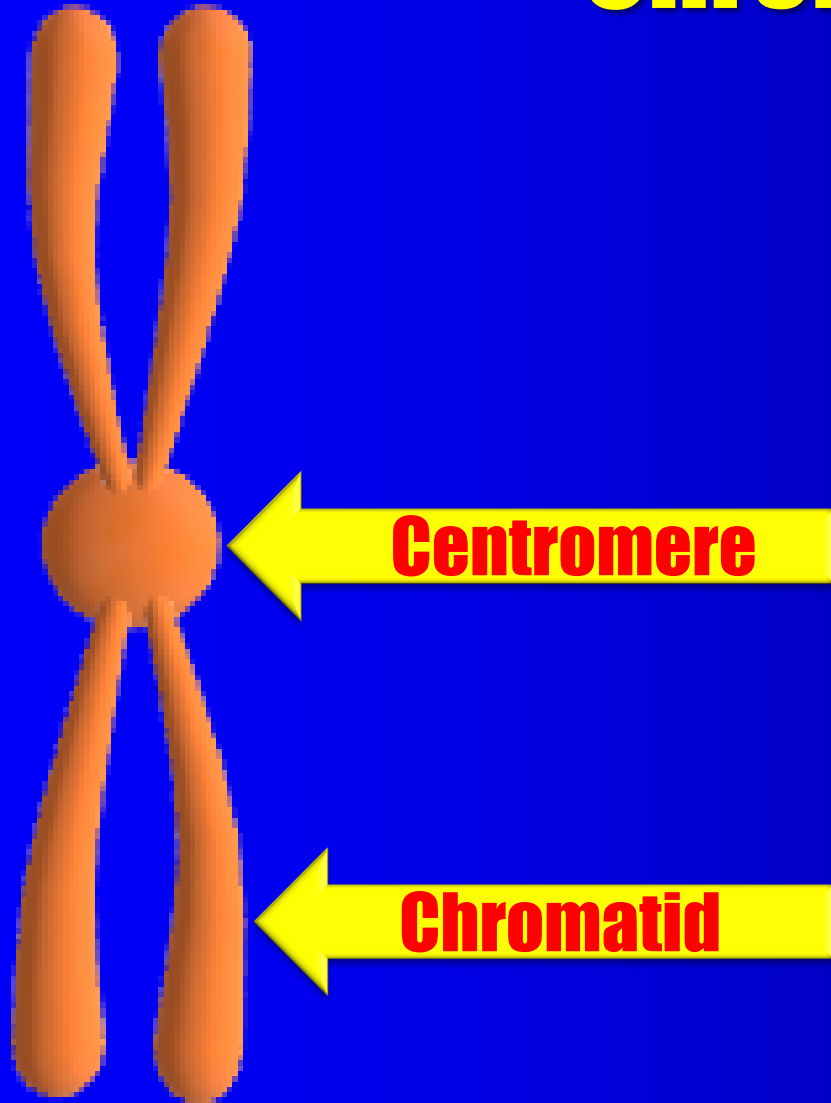
It helps the cell to maintain proper size.



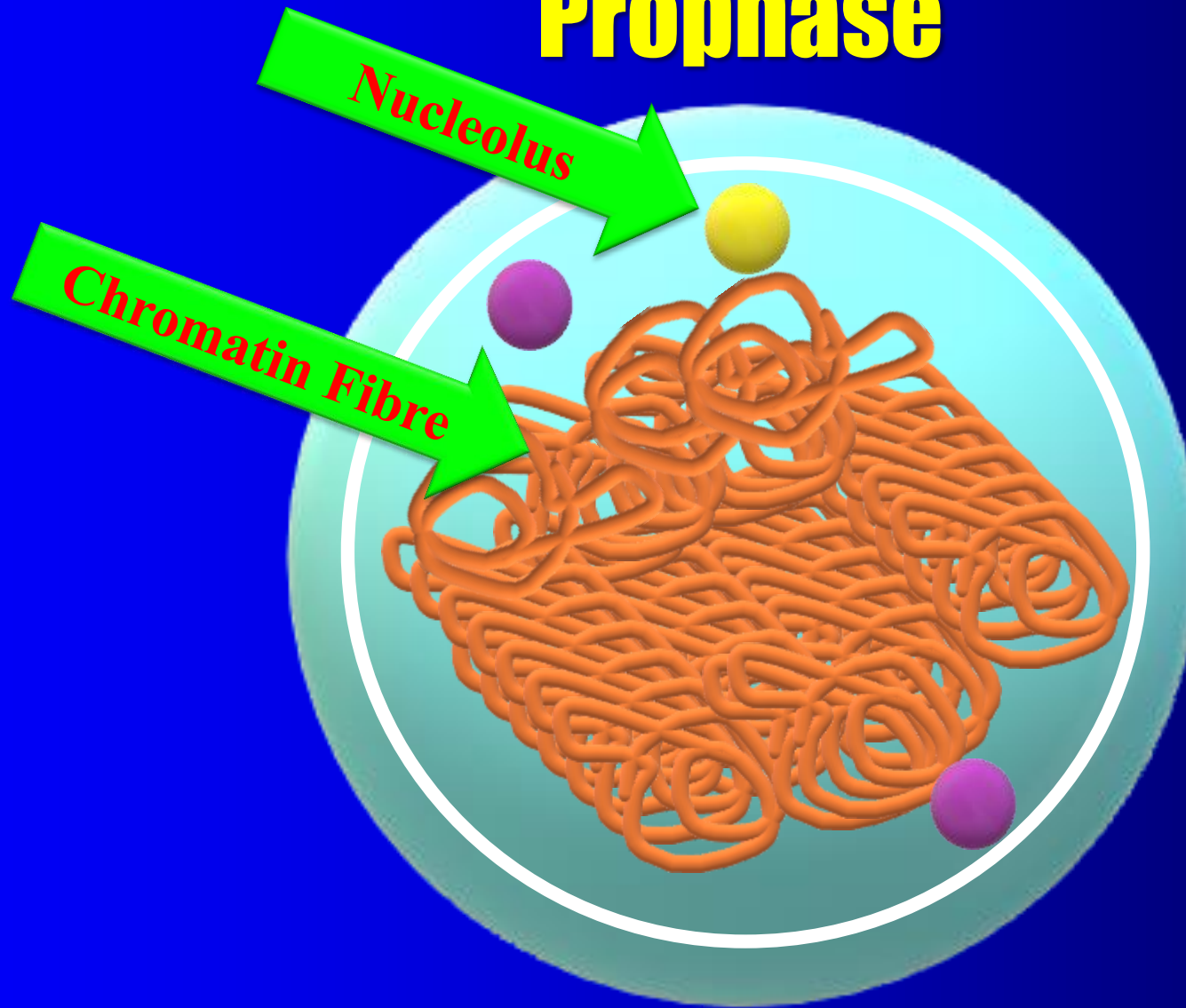
Cytoplasm and Nucleus



Chromosomes



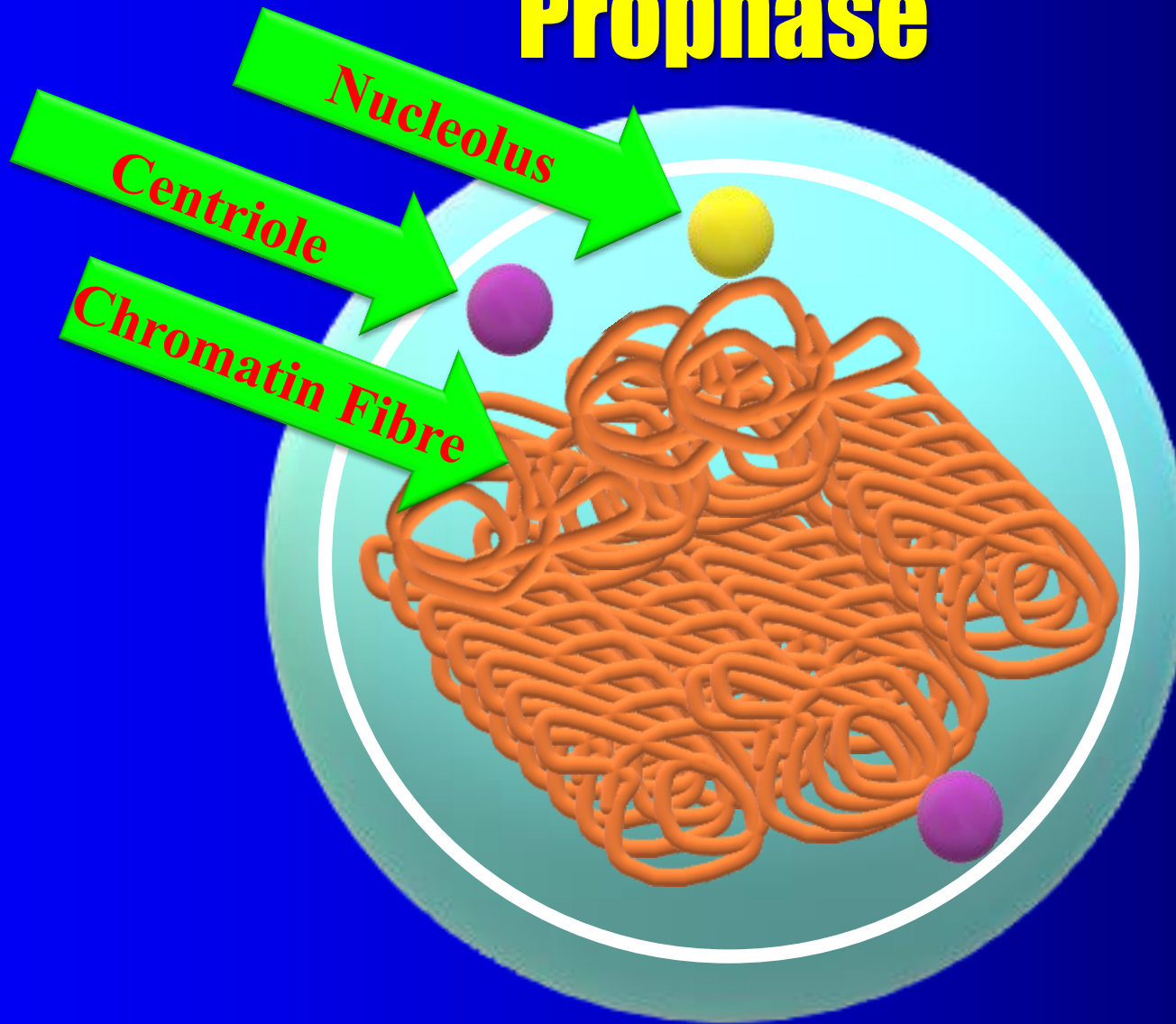
Prophase



**Chromatin
Fibres**



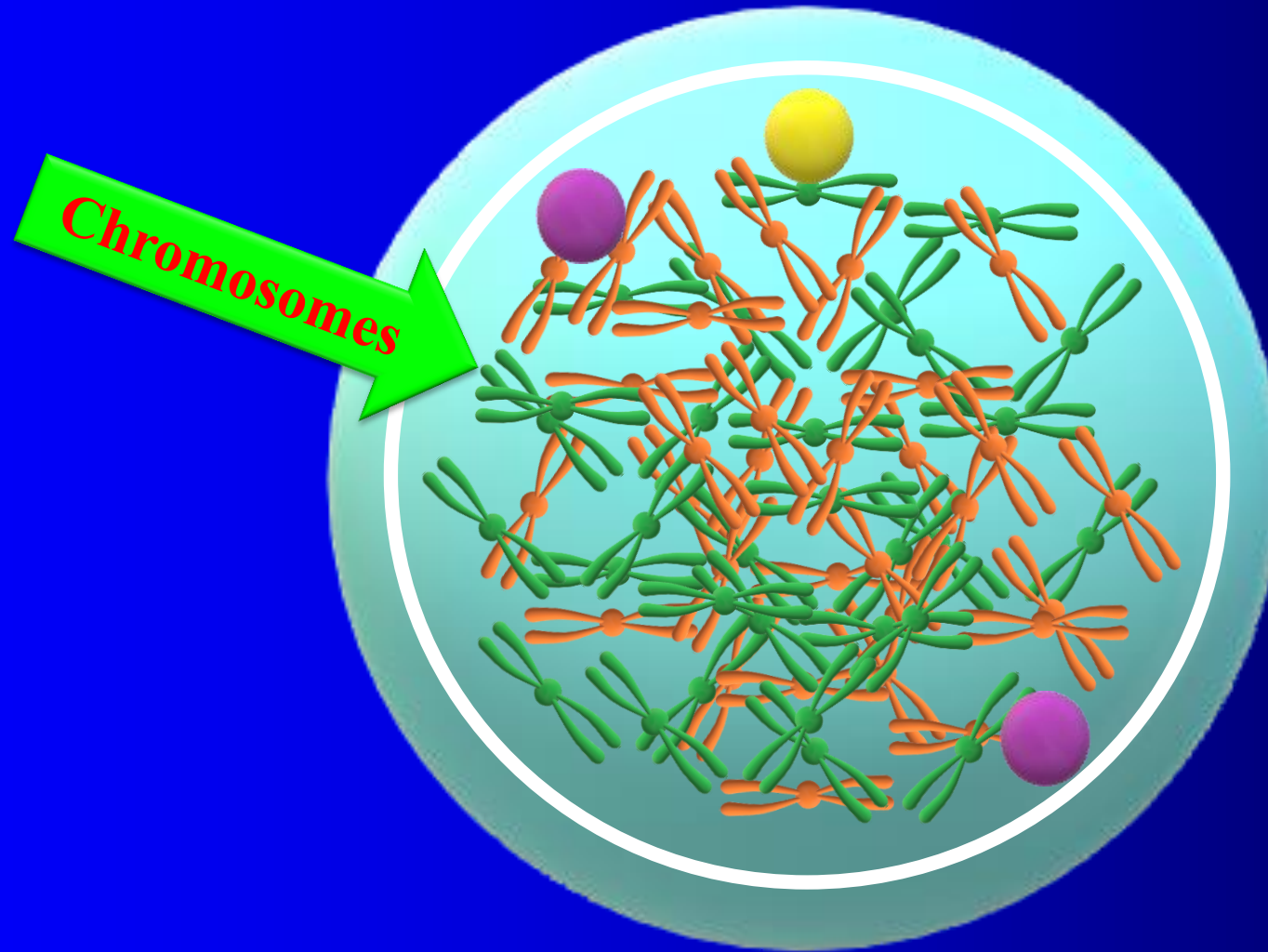
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**Movement of
Centrioles
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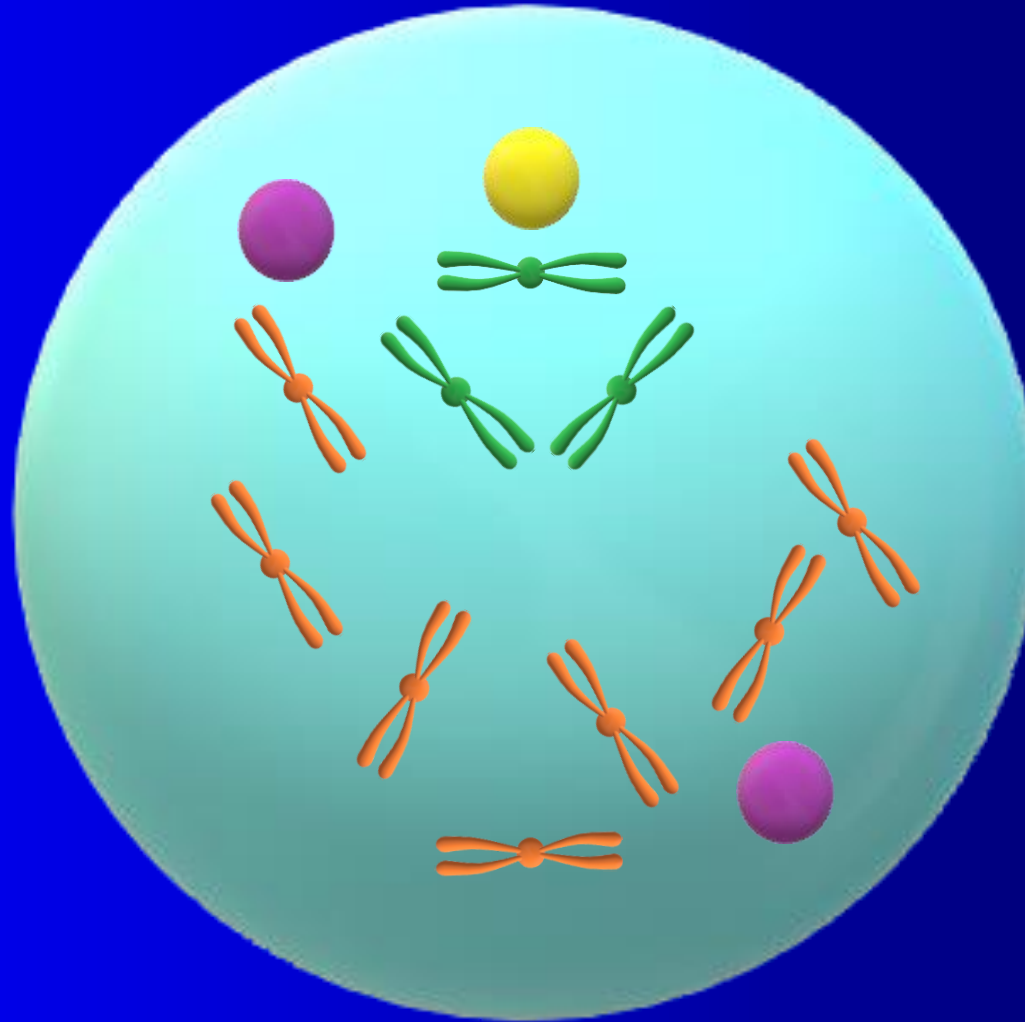
Prophase



**Condensation
of
Chromosomes**



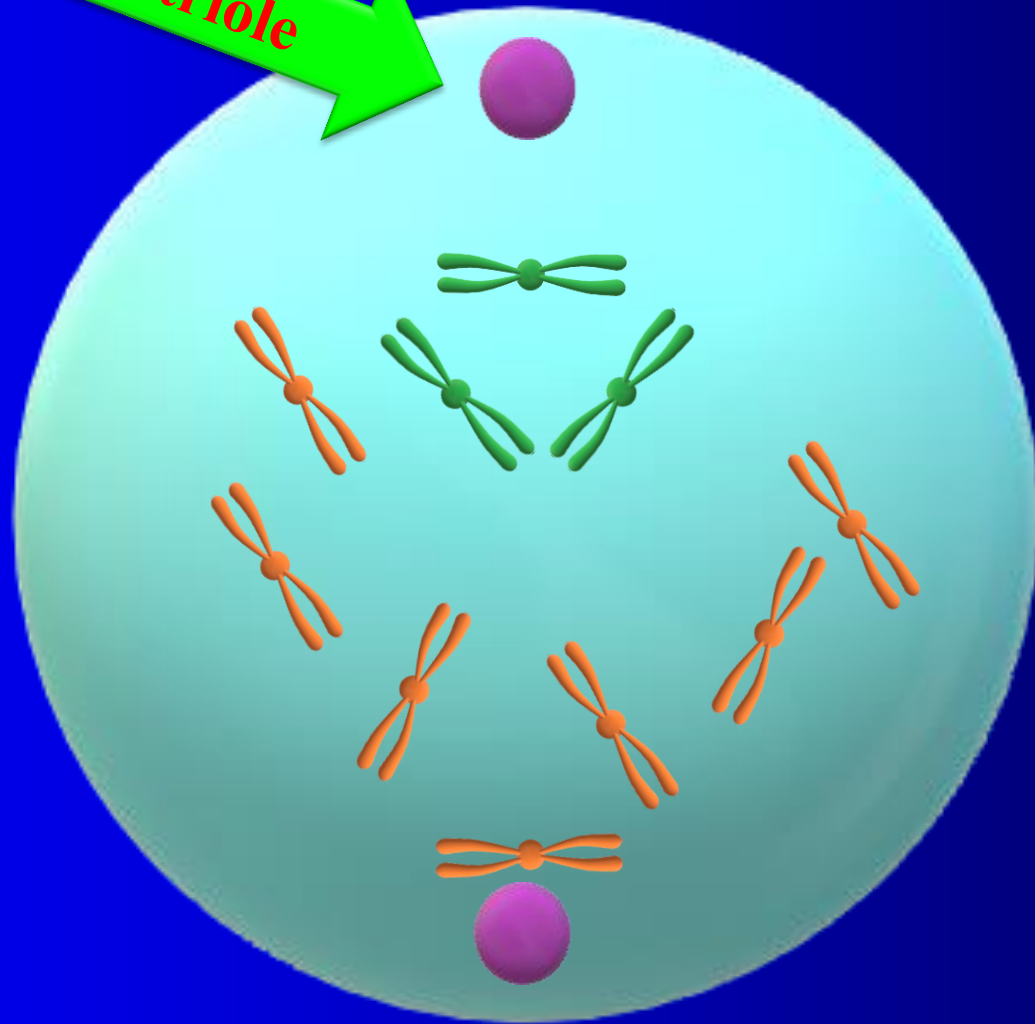
Prophase



**Disappearance
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Membrane**



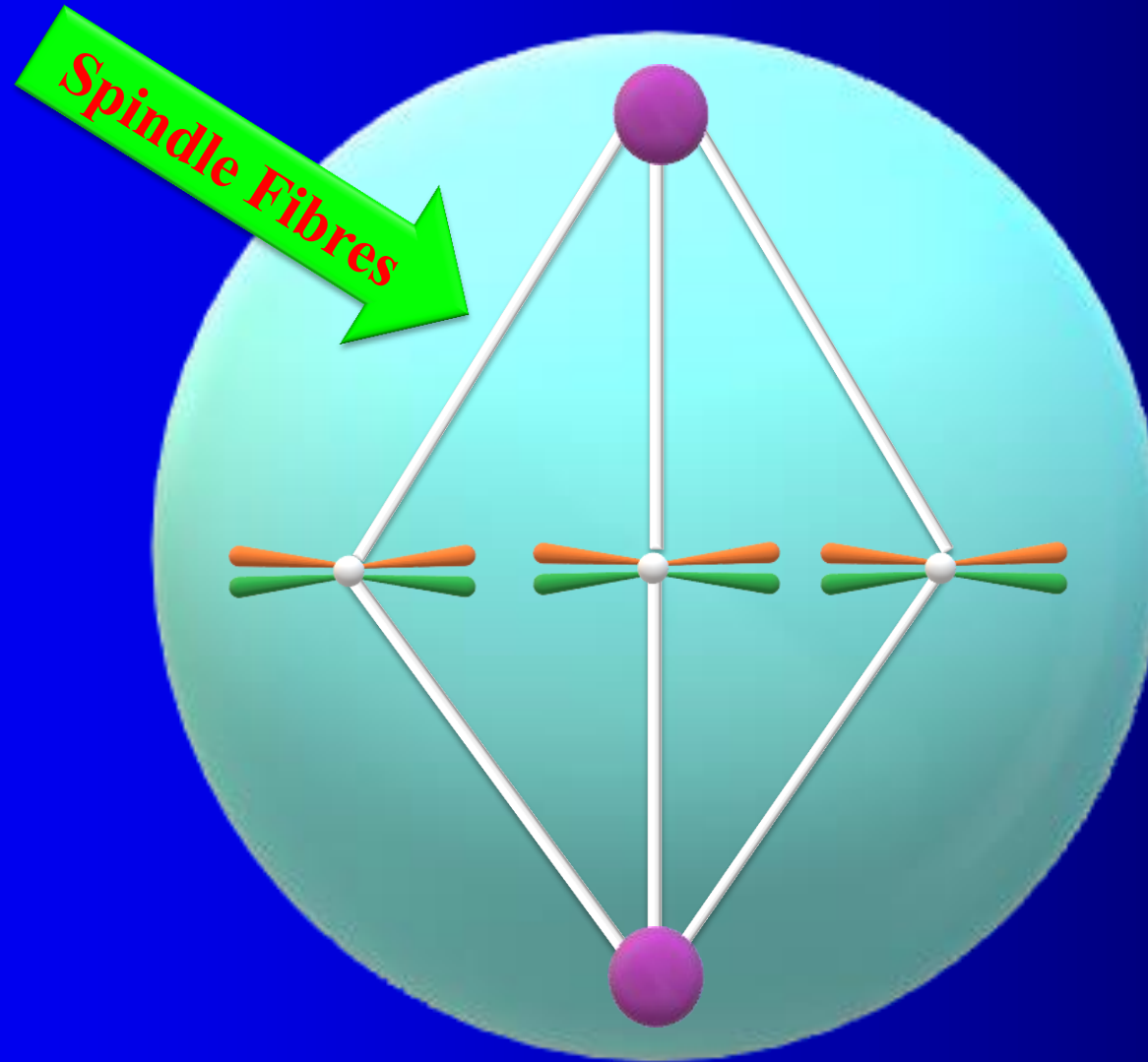
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**Disappearance
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Nucleolus**



Metaphase

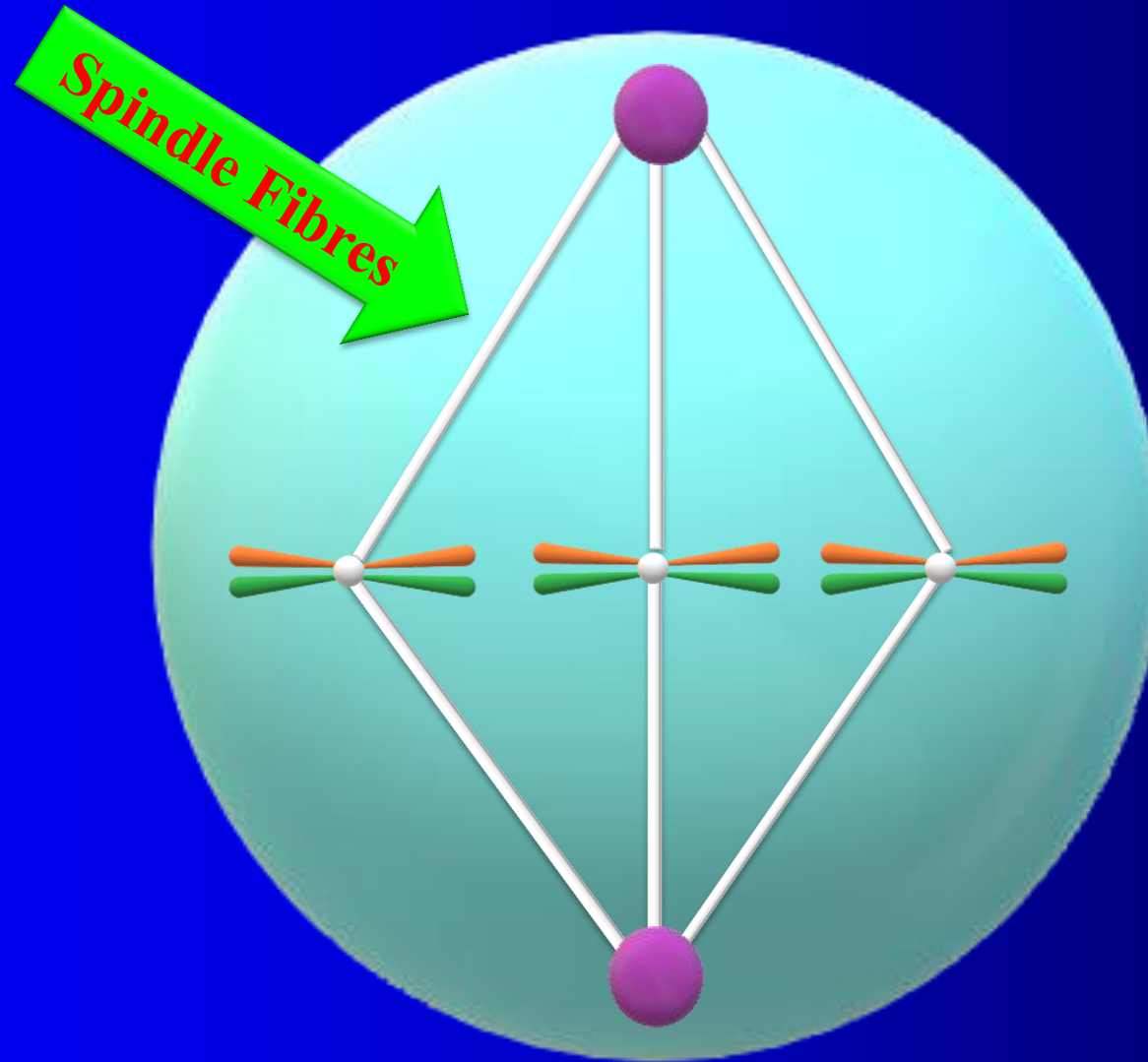


**Alignment of
Chromosomes
at the Equator**

**Attachment of
Spindle Fibres
with the
Centromeres**



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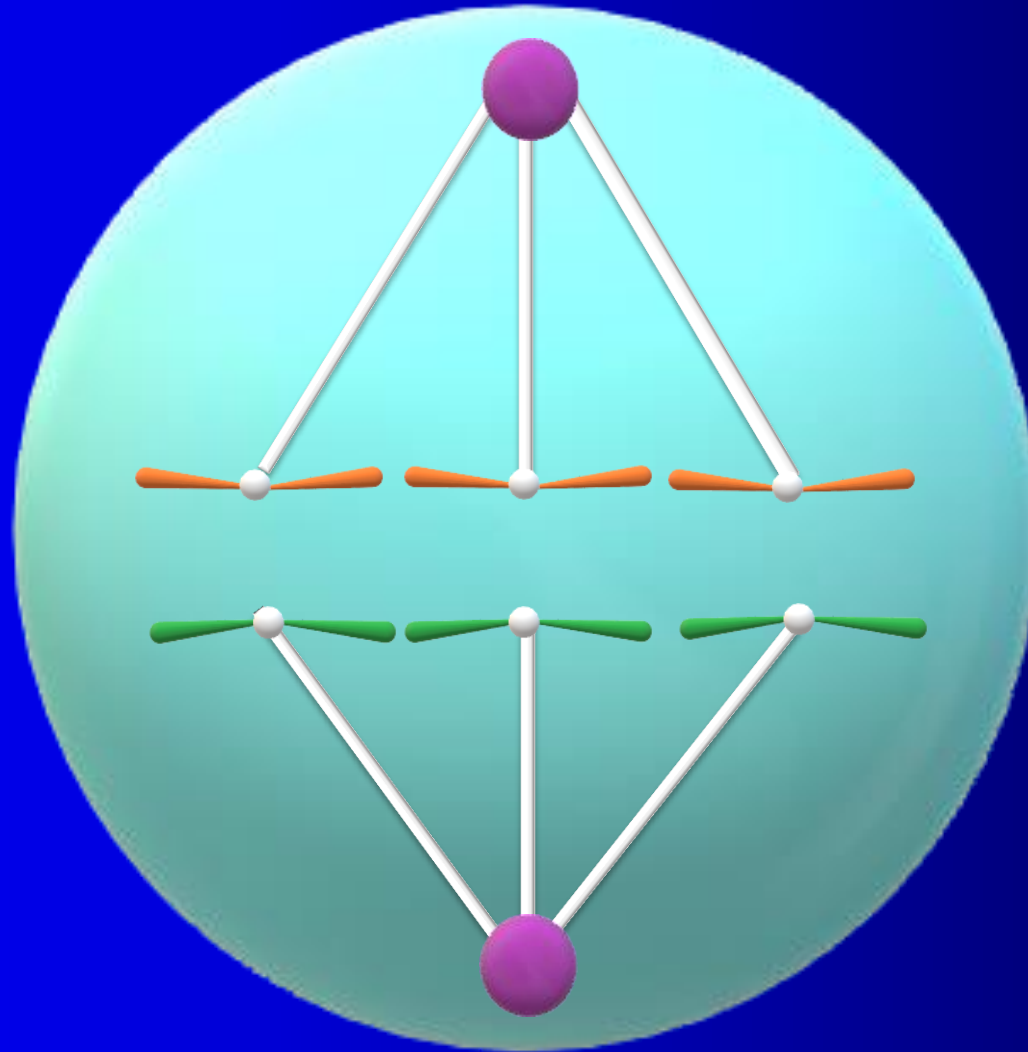


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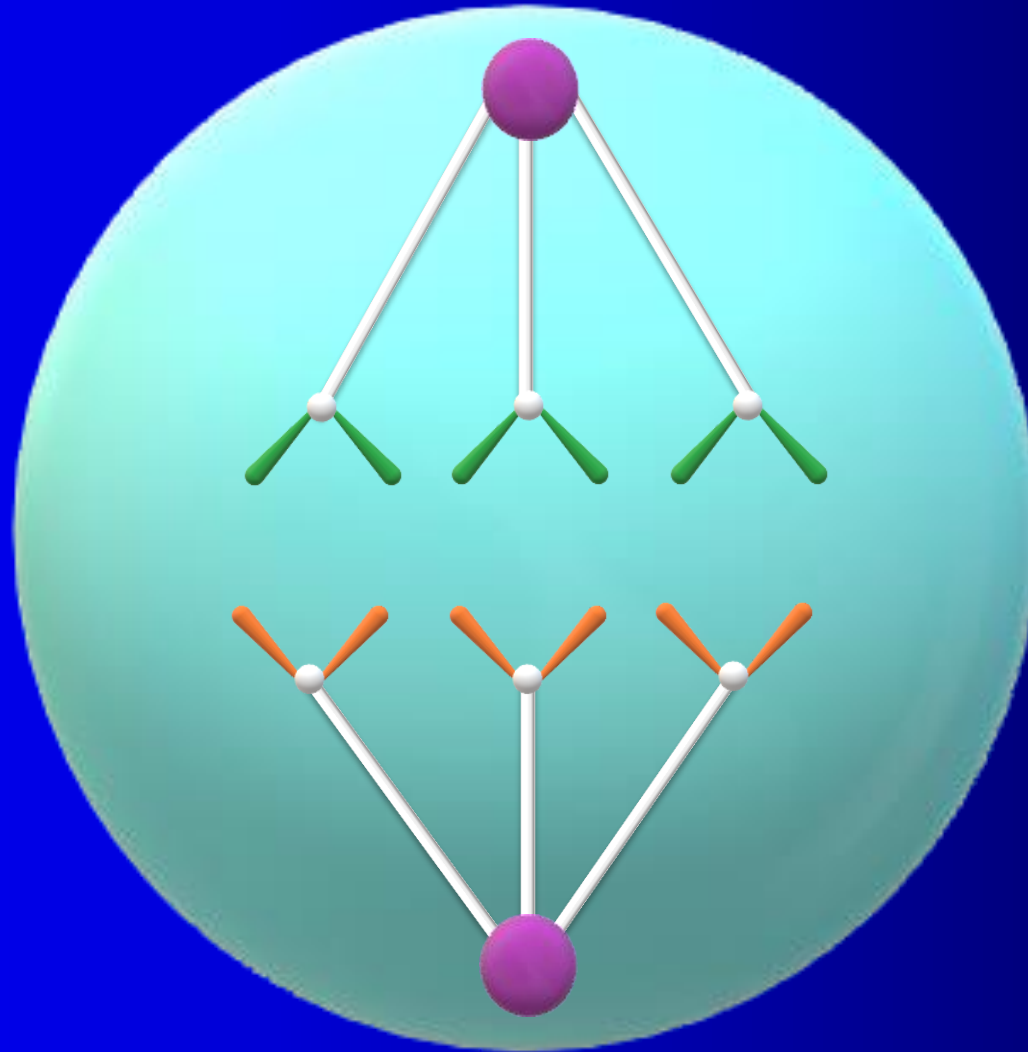
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**Movement of
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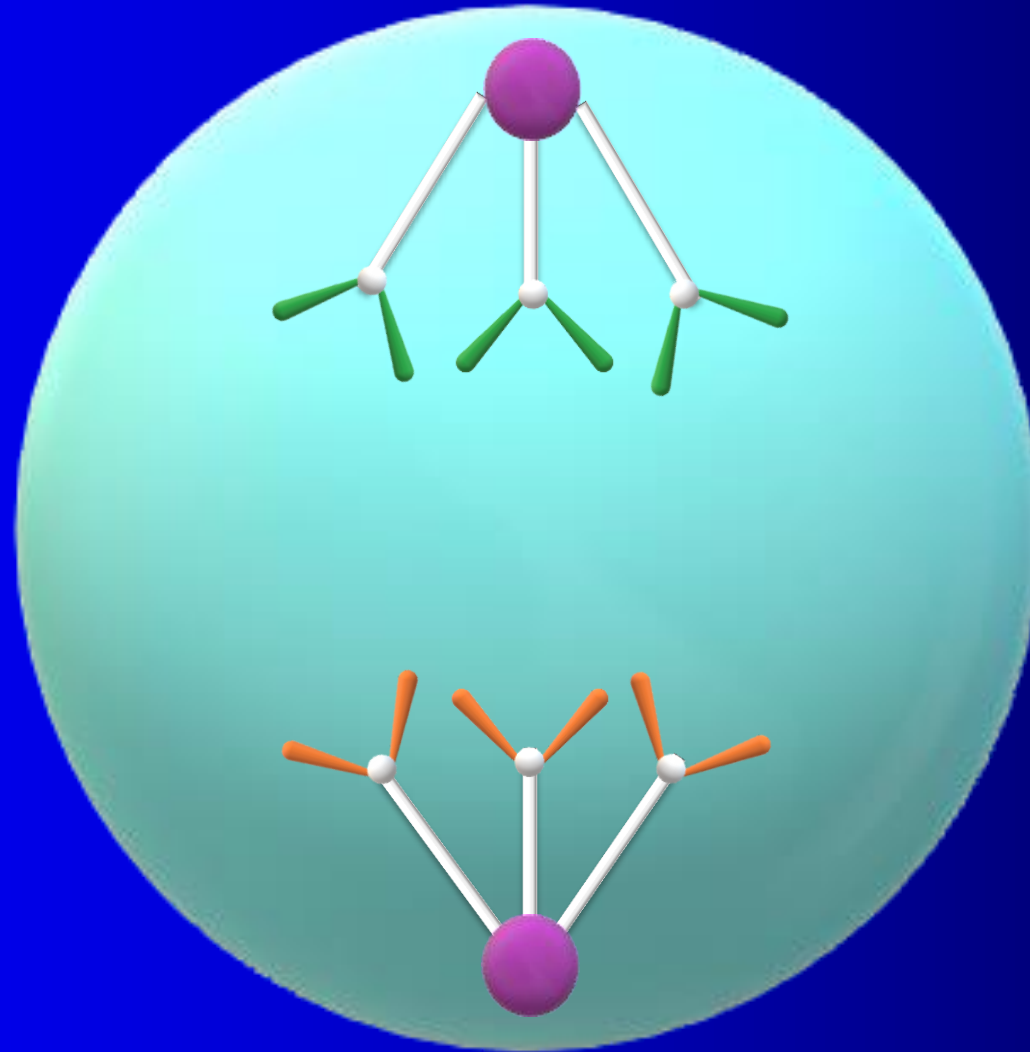
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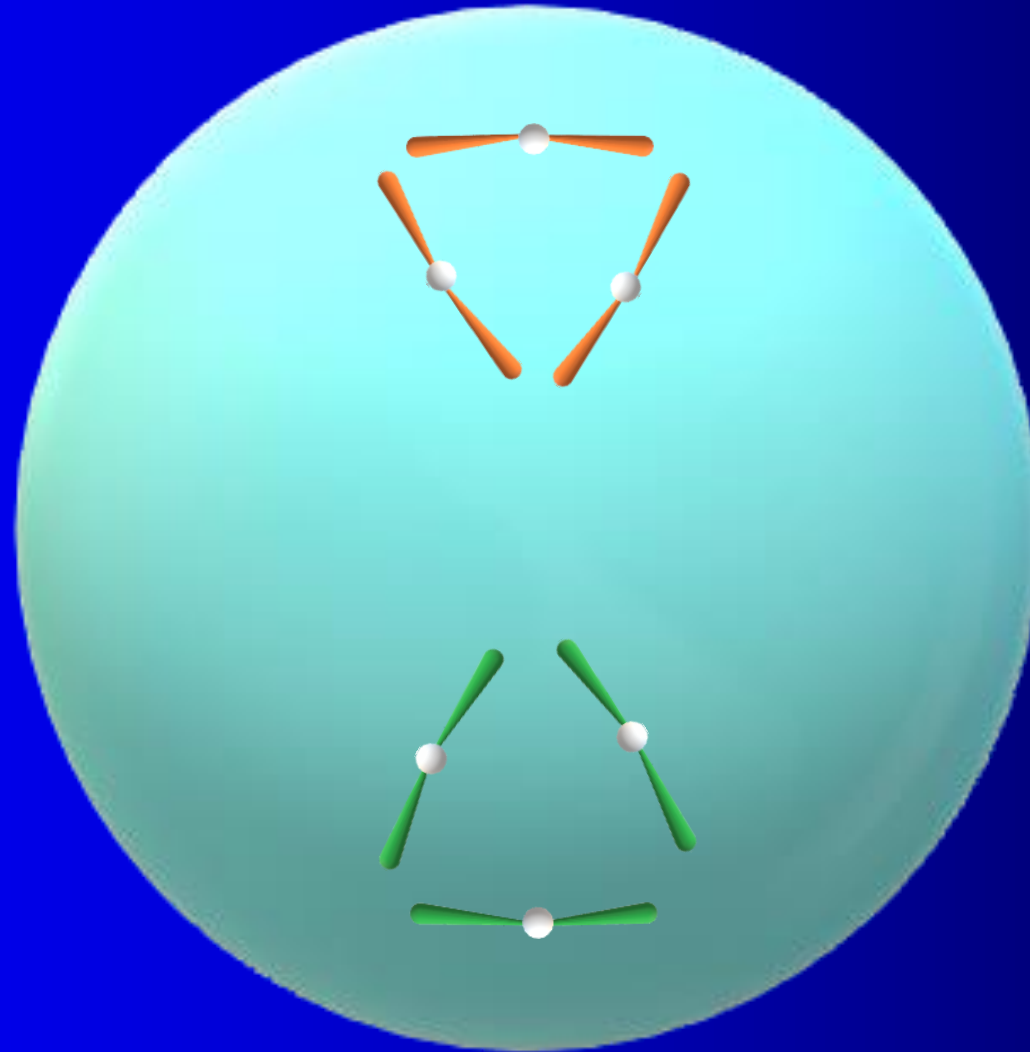
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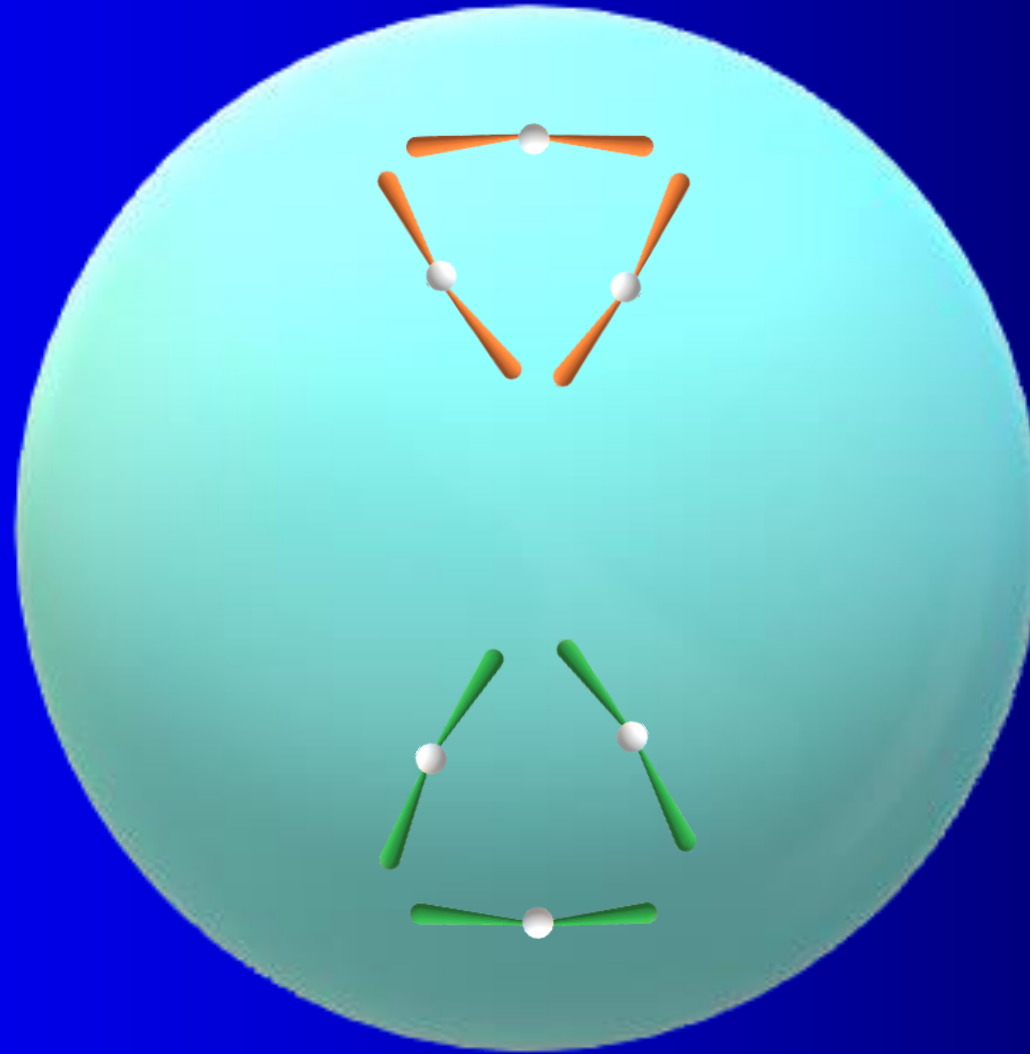
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**Disappearance
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Spindle Fibres**



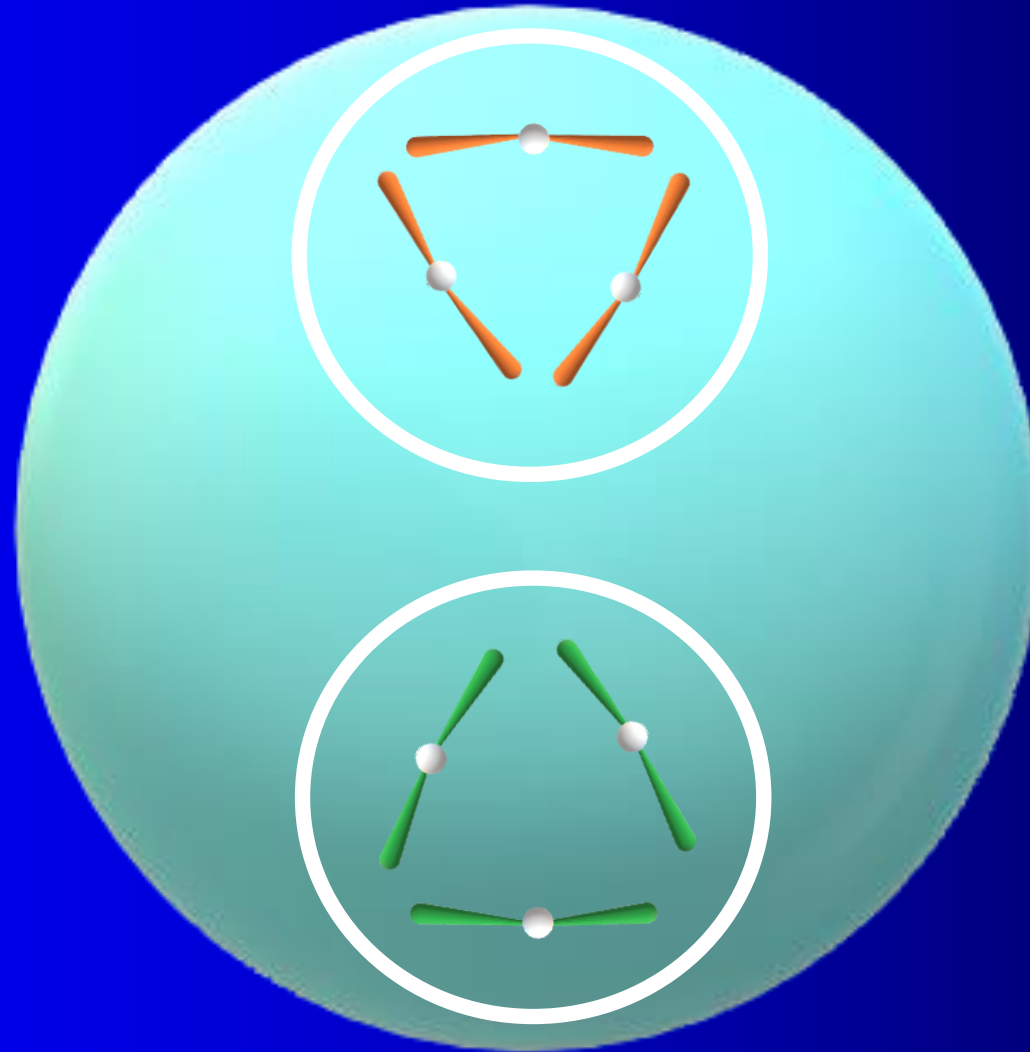
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**Chromosomes
reached the
opposite poles
completely**



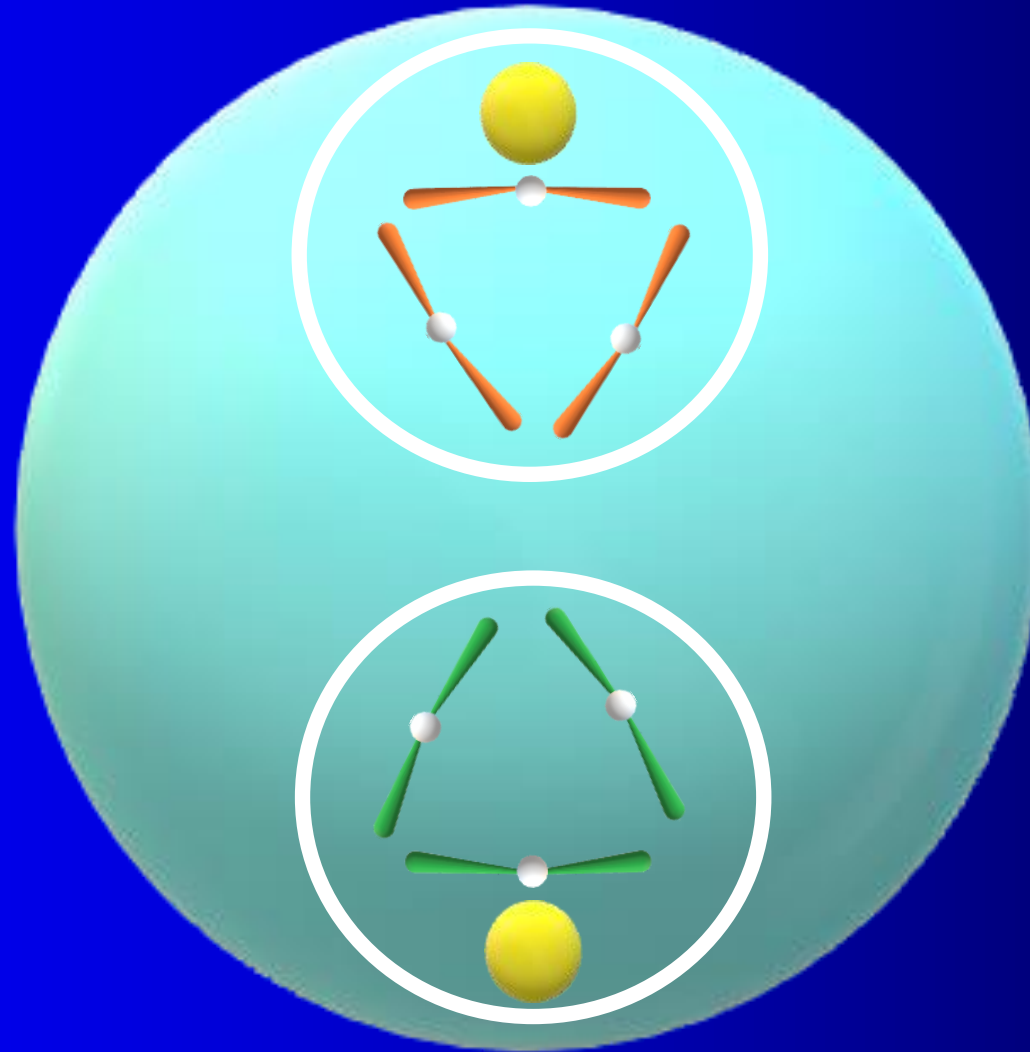
Telophase



**Reappearance
of
Nuclear
membrane**



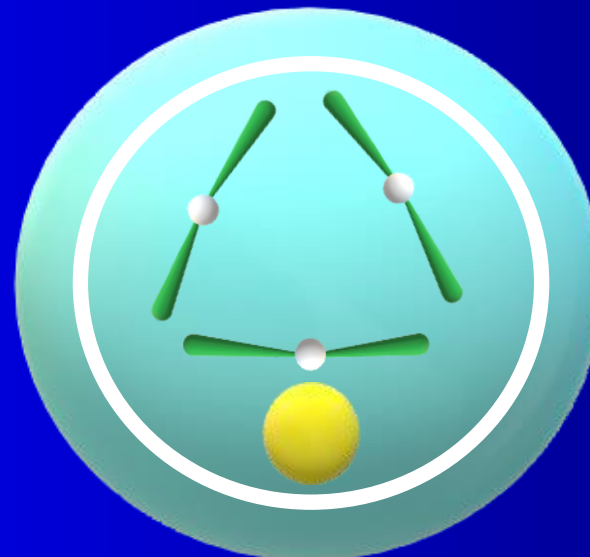
Telophase



**Reappearance
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Nucleolus**



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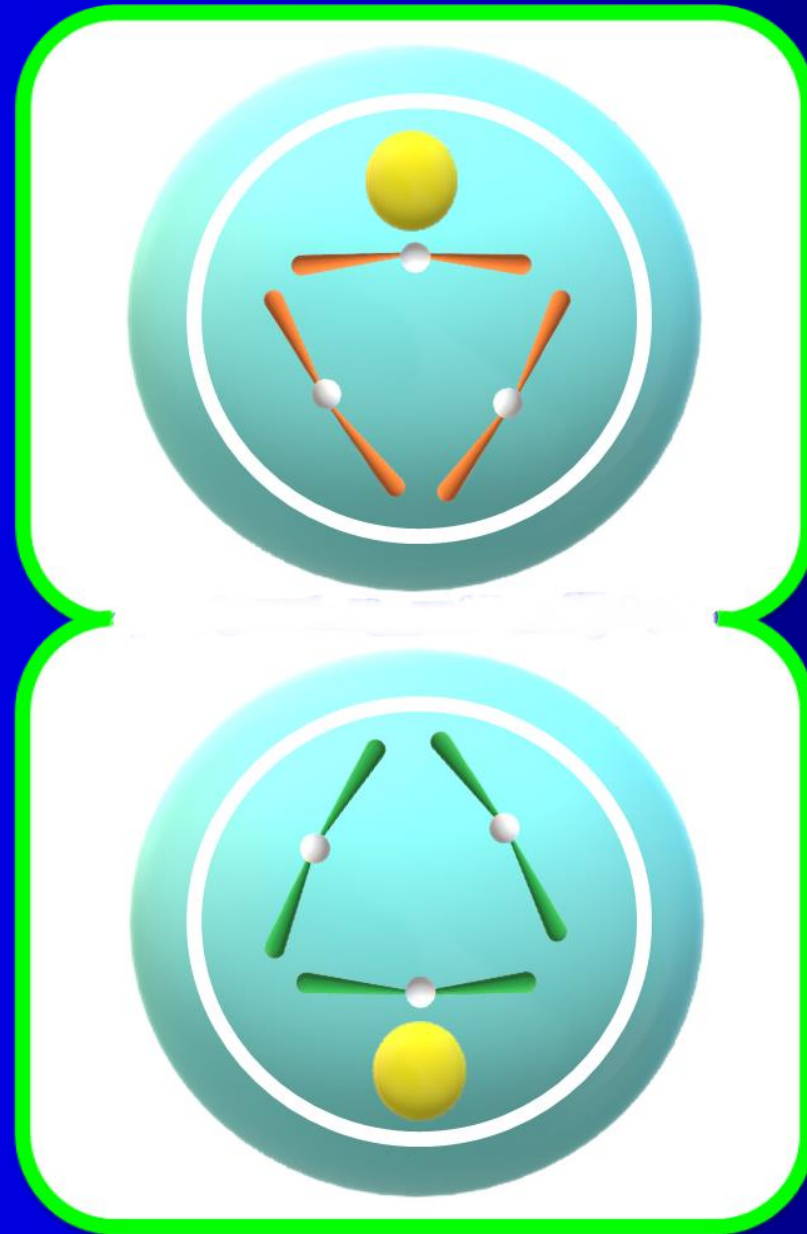
Two Nuclei are formed



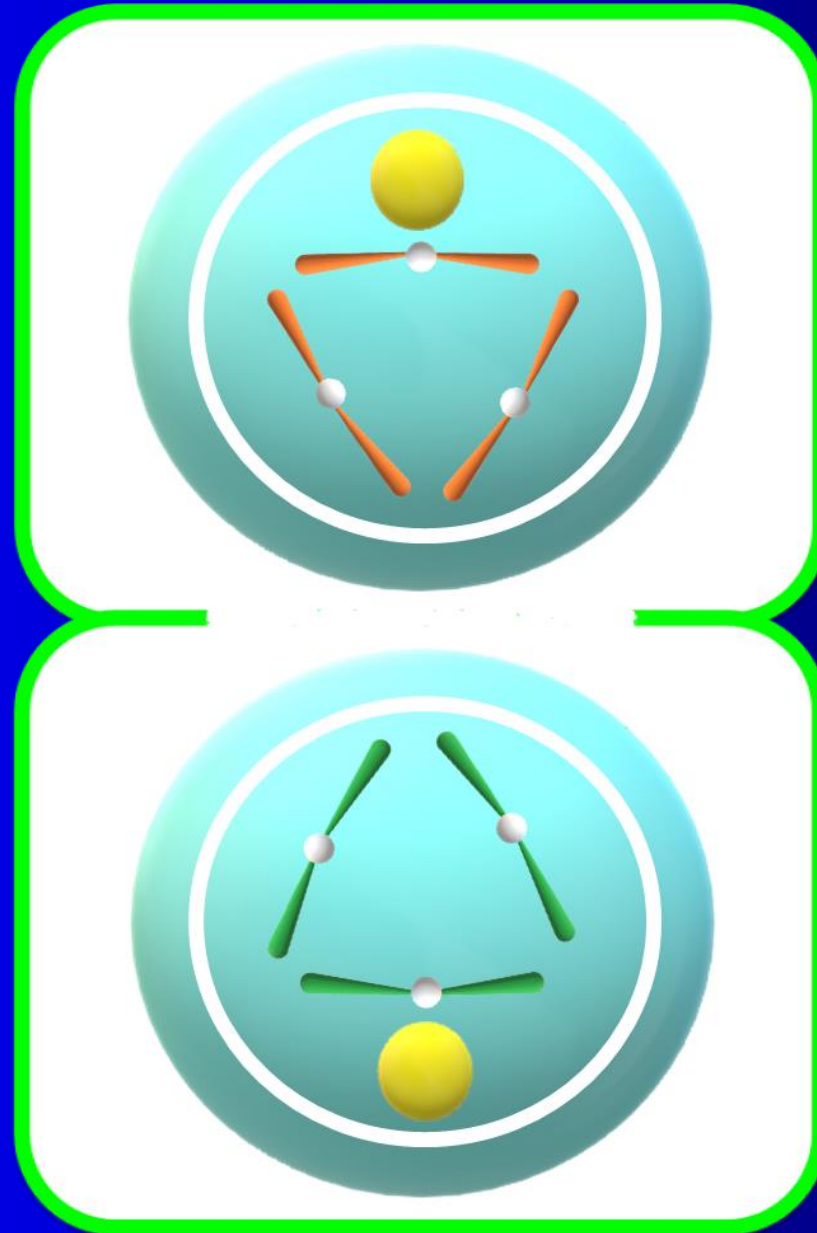
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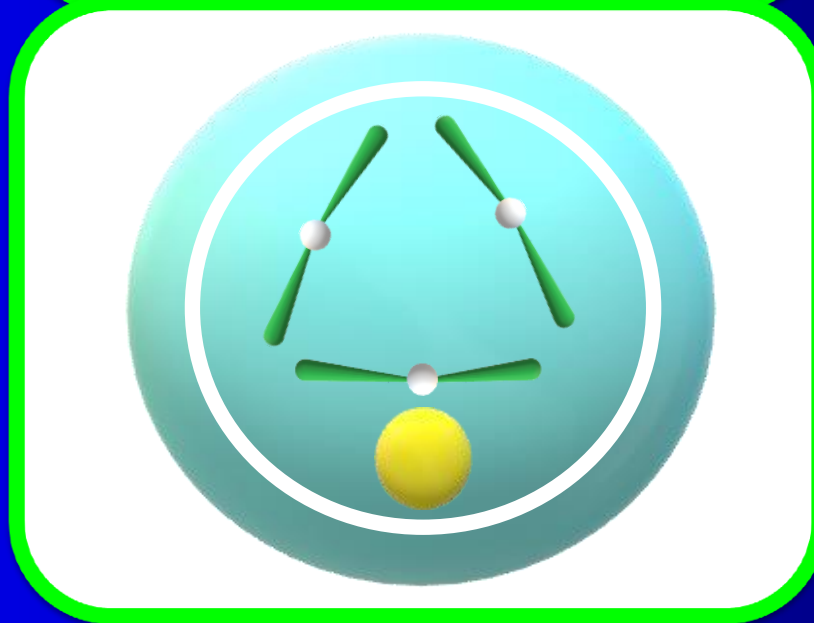
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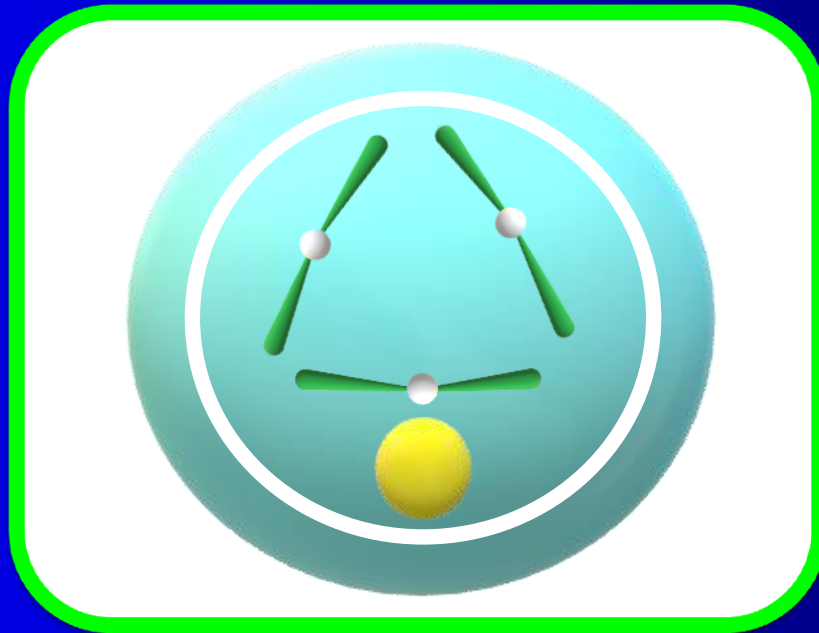
Constriction of cell Membrane



Formation of Two Daughter Cells



Cytokinesis



**Two Daughter
Cells are
formed**



God Bless You!